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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

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Bank.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND, 500,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—H. HOFFMANN, Esq. Deputy Chairman—F. D. BASSOON, Esq. AD. ANDER, Esq. A. MOIVRE, Esq. E. R. BELLING, Esq. S. W. POMEROY, Esq. Hon. W. KESWICK, Esq. ED. TOSIN, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER.

Hongkong, . . . THOMAS JACKSON, Esq. Manager. Shanghai, . . . EWEEN CAMERON, Esq. LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED

ON Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits:—For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum. " 6 " 4 per cent. " " 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credit granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON,

Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East. Hongkong, February 15, 1876.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

MR. FERDINAND NISSEN has been compelled to retire from our Firm in consequence of failing health, and his interest and responsibility ceased on the 31st December last. MR. NICOLAUS AUGUST SIEBS has been authorised to sign for us by Procuration. We have this day reopened a branch of our Firm at Canton.

SIEMSEN & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1877. ap2

NOTICE.

WE have been appointed AGENTS for the AMERICAN SHIPMASTERS' ASSOCIATION. ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co. Hongkong, February 2, 1877. ap2

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

ON and after the 16th day of November, 1876, and until further notice, the BUSINESS of the above-named DISPENSARY will be carried on by the Under-signed.

WM. CRUICKSHANK,

Manager.

Hongkong, November 21, 1876.

NOTICE.

THE Partnership hitherto existing between the Under-signed under the name of MESSRS HUISE has this day been dissolved by lapse of time, and the signature of the Firm will henceforth be used for the Liquidation only.

C. J. MESTERN,

W. HUISE.

Canton, December 31, 1876. ap2

Intimations.

W. BALL,

CHINA DISPENSARY.

IMPORTER OF DRUGS, CHEMICALS, DRUGGISTS' Sundries, TOILET REQUISITES, PATENT MEDICINES AND PERFUMES.

Prescriptions Dispensed with Carefulness, and Prompt Attention.

PRAVA WEST, HONGKONG,

Near the Canton Steamer's Wharf.

Hongkong, July 13, 1876.

Intimations.

THE MEDICAL HALL,

37, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

ESTABLISHED 1863.

TH. KOFFER, Proprietor.

Hongkong, April 28, 1876. ap23

HONGKONG.

Chs. J. GAUPP & Co.,

WATCHMAKERS & JEWELLERS,

38, Queen's Road,

NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS,

CHRONOMETERS,

&c., &c., &c.,

Carefully Repaired, Cleaned and accurately

rated under guarantee.

All Repairs in the above line done at

reasonable rates and with despatch.

Hongkong, May 1, 1876. 11.

NAVAL CONTRACT, 1877-8.

SEALED TENDERS, in duplicate, will be received by the Under-signed, until noon on THURSDAY, the 15th March, 1877, from Persons desirous of SUPPLYING the following ARTICLES for the use of H. M. Navy for the year 1877-8, viz.:

FRESH BEEF RAISINS WATER SOFT BREAD BISCUIT
FRESH VEGETABLES SUGAR TEA

Printed Forms of Tender and further particulars can be obtained at the Naval Storekeeper's Office. The right to reject the lowest or any Tender is reserved.

J. BRENNER, Storekeeper.

H. M. Victualling Yard, Hongkong, February 28, 1877. mol6

NOTICE.

LONDON & ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSIT INSURANCE CO.

THE BUSINESS of this Company has This Day been Transferred to THE MARINE INSURANCE CO., of 20, Old Broad Street, LONDON.

By Order of the Proprietors,

WILLIAM HUNT, Secretary.

137, Leadenhall Street, London, 1st January, 1877.

THE MARINE INSURANCE CO. 20, Old Broad Street, LONDON, 1st January, 1877.

ESTABLISHED 1836.

CAPITAL, £1,000,000 STERLING.

RESERVE FUND, £340,000

WITH Reference to the foregoing Advertisement THE MARINE INSURANCE CO. has This Day taken over the Business of the LONDON & ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSIT CO., and has Appointed Mr. A. MOIVRE as its AGENT in Hongkong.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

ROBERT J. LODGE, Manager.

THE Under-signed is prepared to Accept Risks and issue Policies on behalf of the MARINE INSURANCE CO. by any First Class Steamer.

A. MOIVRE, Agent of the Marine Insurance Co. of London.

Hongkong, February 16, 1877. au17

ERNEST WASSALL & Co., PHOTOGRAPHERS.

I HAVE This Day Established myself as PHOTOGRAPHER at the Corner of Wyndham and Wellington Streets, at the Building lately occupied by the HONGKONG PHOTOGRAPHIC CO., under the above Style.

ERNEST WASSALL.

Hongkong, March 3, 1877. ap1

MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, PENANG.

THE Municipal Commissioners of Penang are desirous of receiving DESIGNS for a TOWN-HALL. This Building is to be erected on the ground on the east side of the Penang Bridge, between the latter and Duke Street, and its cost is not to exceed \$50,000.

The Commissioners offer a PREMIUM of \$400 for the best and most suitable Design with Specifications, and competitors have the option of forwarding Tenders for carrying out the work.

The Designs, accompanied with all documents, are to be sent to the Municipal Office Penang on or before the 1st of March next.

For further information apply to the Secretary to the Municipal Commissioners at Penang.

D. C. PRESGRAVE, Municipal Secretary.

Penang, Municipal Office, The 21st September, 1876.

Intimations.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.

ARE NOW LANDING AN INVOICE OF

ROUYER GUILLET & Co.'s

CELEBRATED BRANDY.

This BRANDY is well known in England, the Colonies, and India. The Firm possess Six Vineyards and Six Distilleries, and are amongst the largest shippers from Charente.

Qualities One *, Two **, Three ***, and Four ****, in Cases of One Dozen Quarts.

Also,

POMMERY & GRENOS

"Extra Sec." CHAMPAGNE,

in Quarts and Pints.

As supplied to the principal London Clubs.

Hongkong, January 5, 1877. [ap5]

G. O. ROGERS, DENTAL SURGEON,

No. 7, ARBUTHNOT ROAD,

Begs to inform his Friends that he intends being ABSENT from HONGKONG for Six or Eight Weeks, leaving early in APRIL.

Hongkong, March 12, 1877.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND declared for the Half year ending on 30th December last, at the rate of ONE POUND STERLING (£1) per share of \$125, is PAYABLE on and after THURSDAY, the 15th Instant, at the Office of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

THOMAS JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 15, 1877.

NOTICE.

NEITHER Captain FORBES nor the AGENTS or OWNERS of the American Barque "GARIBOLDI," will be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBTS contracted by the Crew.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 28, 1877.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION

OR

HANDSOME EUROPEAN-MADE

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

MONDAY,

the 19th March 1877, at Noon, at St. John's Place,

The Residence of A. MOIVRE, Esq.,—

The whole of his Household FURNITURE, comprising:—English-made Walnut Crested Covered Chairs, and Couches, Chiffonier, Marble-top Side Tables, Engravings, Mirrors, Curtains, Sideboard, Dining Table and Chairs, Whatnot, Electroplated Ware, Glass and Crockery Ware, Iron Bedsteads, Mahogany Wardrobe with Mirror Front, Toilet Glasses, Dressing Tables, Washstands, Chests of Drawers,

&c., &c., &c.

Also,

A SEMI-GRAND PIANO, by John Broadwood & Sons, London.

A Collection of Choice PLANTS in Pots.

Catalogues will be issued, as usual, and the Furniture will be on view on SATURDAY, the 17th March.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery of the Merchandise weighed at 7.1.7.

All Lots with all faults and errors of description, at Purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

Hongkong, March 12, 1877. mol8

To Let.

TO LET.

THE House No. 7, Upper Mohkug Terrace, at present in the occupation of A. B. JOHNSON, Esq., Gas and Water laid on.

Apply to

T. G. LINSTED.

Hongkong, February 23, 1877.

To Let.

TO LET.

No. 3, PRINCE TERRACE, ELGIN STREET, with Immediate Possession.

Apply to

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, February 7, 1877.

TO LET.

HOUSE No. 7, Caine Road, lately occupied by Mr. PARKER.

House No. 10, Albany Road, at present occupied by the Rev. R. H. KIM.

House No. 11, Seymour Terrace, at present occupied by Mr. N. J. EDE, Furnished or Unfurnished.

DAVID BASSOON, SONS & Co.

Hongkong, February 15, 1877.

TO LET.

THE Upper Portion of Nos. 42 and 44 Queen's Road.

Apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, November 17, 1876.

TO BE LET.

THE PREMISES No. 39, Queen's Road, at present in the occupation of the BORNEO COMPANY.

TURNER & Co.

Hongkong, February 6, 1877.

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s

Celebrated

Brands of WINES and SPIRITS.

Apply to

SIEMSEN & Co.

Hongkong, June 22, 1876.

NOW READY.

A CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTONESE DIALECT. Part I, A to K, with Introduction. Royal 8vo, pp. 202.—By ERNEST JOHN EITEL, Ph.D. Tubingen.

Price: Two DOLLARS and a HALF.

To be had from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messrs KELLY & WALSH, Shanghai.

Hongkong, February 8, 1877.

HONG LISTS.

Circular, large sheet.

THE AMENDED HONG LIST in English and Chinese, containing the Names of all the most important Companies, Institutions and Mercantile Houses in the Colony.

Price, 25 cents each; or \$2.50 per dozen.

At the "China Mail" Office.

FOR SALE.

FRENCH STATIONERY.

A GREAT VARIETY OF LADIES' NOTE PAPER AND ENVELOPES.

Apply to

ED. CHASTEL, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, March 7, 1877. mol4

WASHING BOOMS.

(In English and Chinese.)

ASSHMAN'S BOOKS, for the use of Ladies and Gentlemen, are now ready at this Office.—Price \$1 each.

China Mail Office.

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

JUST LANDED EX S.S. "Hesperia."

H. PIPER & Co.'s Celebrated CHAMPAGNE: OARTE BLANCHE, OARTE BLANCHE SEC and OARTE DUREE in Qts. and Pints.

Also—

The well known OARTE DUPUY & Co.'s BRANDY in Cases of 12 qt. Bottles and a Small Lot of MEDOC CLARET in qt. Bottles.

Apply to

L. L. BUSH.

Hongkong, March 7, 1877.

FOR SALE.

CHAMPAGNE, 1874.

HEIDSECK & Co., MONOPOLE.

DEETJEN & Co.

Hongkong, February 18, 1877. mol19

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SAIGON.

The Spanish Steamer

"ZAMBOANGA"

will be despatched for the above Port on WEDNESDAY, the 14th Instant, at 5 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

AH YON.

Hongkong, March 12, 1877. mol4

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHEW.

The Steamship

"DOUGLAS,"

Captain FITZMAURICE, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 15th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, March 10, 1877. mol16

FOR SAIGON.

The British Steamer

"BENARTY,"

Capt. J. PORTER, will leave for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 17th Instant, at 5 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

AH YON.

Hongkong, March 12, 1877. mol7

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, TAMSUI & TAIWANFOO.

The Steamship

"HAILONG,"

Captain ABBOTT, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 18th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, March 12, 1877. mol18

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

The Steamship

"PENGUIN,"

W. C. COWELL, Commander, will leave for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 20th Instant, at 3 p.m.

Despatches will close at 2.30 p.m.

For Sale.

SAYLE & Co.

GREAT CLEARANCE SALE.

IN Order to make Room for SPRING GOODS.

On and after MONDAY, February 5th, We shall offer the Remainder of Our WINTER STOCK at an immense reduction.

DRESS GOODS at 15 cents per yard.
DRESS GOODS at 20 cents per yard.
DRESS GOODS at 25 cents per yard.
DRESS GOODS at 30 cents per yard.
DRESS GOODS at 35 cents per yard.

FANCY SILKS! We offer about 5,000 yards at 35 cents per yard, (these are more or less soiled); original price \$1.50 and \$2.00 per yard.

JAPANESE SILKS! Reduced to 40 cents per yard.

WOOL SHAWLS, MANTLES and JACKETS, Marked very Cheap.
LADIES' BOYS' and GIRLS' FELT HATS, at Half Price.

FANCY WOOL GOODS, at less than Half Price.

LADIES' and CHILDREN'S WOOL and MERINO HOSE, Greatly reduced.

100 dozen CHILDREN'S WOOL and MERINO SOCKS, all Sizes, at less than Half Price.

Several thousand Yards of VARIOUS REMNANTS, comprising: FLANNELS, CALICOS, PRINTS, MUSLINS, STUFF GOODS and Other Useful GOODS, are Marked at Prices, which must effect immediate sale.

In order to prevent disappointment, We beg to inform Our Customers and the Public that this Extraordinary, and Unprecedented Sale must close on February 5th.

SAYLE & Co.

VICTORIA EXCHANGE,

Queen's Road & Stanley Street.

NOW READY.

FIENG-SHUI, or, THE RUDIMENTS OF NATURAL SCIENCE IN CHINA. By Dr. E. J. ERTEL. One Volume. 8vo. Price, \$1.50.

BUDDHISM, ITS HISTORY, THEORY AND POPULAR RELIGION, in three Lectures. By Dr. E. J. ERTEL. Second Edition. One Volume. 8vo. Price, \$1.50.

Orders will be received by Messrs Lane, Crawford & Co. Hongkong, July 31, 1873.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debts contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

STAR OF CHINA, British ship, Captain E. B. Baker.—Douglas Laprak & Co.

NEHEMIAH GIBSON, American barque, Captain D. Bradford.—Arnold, Karberg & Co.

BONITO, German barque, Captain J. F. Wessenberg.—Siemens & Co.

ALDEN BESSE, American barque, Captain S. Noyes.—Rotario & Co.

TSUBURNIA, British ship, Captain Robt. Golden.—Meyer & Co.

FORMOSA, German 3-m. schooner, Capt. G. Schwaer.—Melchers & Co.

WANDERING MINSTREL, British barque, Captain Wm. Sivewright.—Siemens & Co.

MYSTIC BELLE, American ship, Captain David Plummer.—Siemens & Co.

ORANGE GROVE, British barque, Captain A. Longmuir.—Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.

ROSTRA, American 3-m. schooner, Capt. C. W. Hanson.—Arnold, Karberg & Co.

TULLOCHGORUM, British schooner, Capt. S. Masson.—Chinese.

PANOLA, American 3-m. schooner, Capt. H. W. Lunb.—Landstein & Co.

To-day's Advertisements.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

THURSDAY,

the 29th March, 1877, at 2 o'clock p.m.,—

(Unless previously disposed of by Private Sale.)

That Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situate in Queen's Road East, Registered in Land Office as Inland Lot No. 54, comprising 10,000 square feet, measuring from North to South 100 feet, and from East to West 100 feet, with a substantial Brick Dwelling House and Out-houses built thereon, known as "Carlton House," Annual Crown Rent, \$131.40.

And,

That Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situate in Queen's Road East, Registered in Land Office as Inland Lot No. 768, comprising 6,000 square feet, measuring from North to South 150 feet, and from East to West 40 feet, with a substantial Brick Godown built thereon.

Also,

That Piece or Unbuilt Levelled GROUND, attached to the above Lot, and Registered in Land Office as same Inland Lot No. 768, comprising 6,000 square feet, measuring from North to South 150 feet, and from East to West 40 feet. Annual Crown Rent, \$158.08, for Inland Lot No. 768.

Terms:—One-half of the purchase money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the remainder on completion of the Deed of Transfer. The Buildings will be at purchaser's risk after the fall of the hammer.

Hongkong, March 13, 1877. mc28

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship "GLENLYON,"

Capt. WALLACE, will receive immediate despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 13, 1877. mc28

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

The Steamship "ARRATON APOAR,"

Captain A. B. MACFARLANE, will leave this for the above

Ports on TUESDAY Next, the 20th Inst., at 3 p.m.

Despatches will close at 2.30 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 13, 1877. mc20

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Glenlyon, having arrived,

Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed

at their risk and stored by the Under-

signed at their Godowns, whence and/or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be

obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded to Shanghai unless notice to the contrary is

given before 11 a.m., To-morrow.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 20th Instant, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, March 13, 1877. mc20

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

March 13, Travancore, British steamer, 1172, Wm. Barratt, Shanghai (Wooing)

March 10, Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

March 13, Fuyew, Chinese steamer, 920, A. Croad, Shanghai March 9, General.—C. M. S. N. Co.

March 13, Hailong, British steamer, 277, J. O. Abbott, Taiwanfo March 9, Amoy

11, and Swatow 12, Treasure and Sugar.

—DOUGLAS LARSEN & Co.

March 13, Glenlyon, British steamer, 1873, John Wallace, London Jan. 23, via

ports of call, and Singapore March 6, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

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DEPARTURES.

Mar. 12, William Turner, for Saigon.

13, Malacca, for Yokohama.

13, Olympia, for Saigon.

13, Diana, for Yokohama.

13, Fuyew, for Canton.

CLEARED.

Rio Logo, for Melbourne.

Tullochgorum, for Haiphong.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per Travancore, from Shanghai for

Southampton, Mr. and Mrs. Lines, infant

and amah, Messrs. Li and servant, F. A.

Morgan, A. MacClymont and servant, and

W. H. Forbes and servant, Lt. Croagh,

S. N. Mr. A. Lind, and 11 Chinese deck.

Per Hailong, from Coast Ports, 95 Chinese

and 1 European deck.

Per Glenlyon, from Singapore, &c., 65

Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per Malacca, for Yokohama, Comdr.

Honble. Hood, and Lt. Hawes, R.N.A.

Per Olympia, for Saigon, 20 Chinese.

Per Diana, for Yokohama, 4 Chinese.

TO DEPART.

Per Tullochgorum, for Haiphong, 10

Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The Chinese steamer Fuyew reports:

From N.E. monsoon and fine weather.

The British steamer Glenlyon reports:

Strong monsoon all the way up, with heavy

confused sea.

The British steamer Hailong reports:

From Taiwanfo to Amoy experienced

strong N.E. monsoon and high sea with

dull cloudy weather. From Amoy to Swatow

strong N.E. monsoon and fine weather.

Thence to port, first part light variable

winds and cloudy weather, latter fresh

breeze and fine weather. March 12th at

11.30 p.m. passed the S. S. Taiwan. S. N.

in Amoy, Pearl, Benary, Esmeralda, and

H. M. S. Lily. In Swatow, S. S. Norma.

CARGO.

Per S. S. Patroclus, Hongkong to London,

sailed 12th March, 1877.—13,260 lbs. Canton

Sc. Or. Pekoe, 42,840 lbs. Canton

Scented Caper—total 66,100 lbs. 11 pkgs

Silk Piece Goods, 692 pkgs. Matting, and

323 pkgs. Sundries.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close:—

For SHANGHAI.—

Per GEELOONG, at 11 a.m. To-morrow,

the 14th inst. Late letters received

from 11.10 to 11.30.

For SAIGON.—

Per ZAMBOANGA, at 5.30 p.m., To-

morrow, the 14th inst., instead of

as previously notified.

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW.—

Per DOUGLAS, at 6 p.m., on Wednes-

day, the 14th inst.

For SINGAPORE, PENANG & CAL-

CUTTA.—

Per PENGUIN, at 2.30 p.m., on Tues-

day, the 20th inst.

Per ARRATON APOAR, at 2.50 p.m.,

on Tuesday, the 20th inst.

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.—

The English Contract Packet TRAVAN-

CORKE will be despatched with the

Mails for Europe, &c., on THURSDAY, the 15th Instant.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:—

Wednesday, 14th.

5 p.m., Money Order Office closes.

6 p.m., Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night.

Thursday, 15th.

7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late Letters. Registry of Letters ceases.

10.15 a.m., Letters may be posted with Late Fee of 15 cents extra to Postage till

11 a.m., when the Post Office Closes entirely.

11.30 a.m., Letters (but Letters only addressed to the United Kingdom Via Brindisi or to Singapore, may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage, till

11.50 a.m., when the Mail is finally closed.

Hongkong, March 13, 1877. mc19

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close:—

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet ALASKA

will be despatched on TUESDAY, the

20th Instant, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, the United States, and London, which will be

closed as follows:—

2 p.m. Registry of Letters ceases.

2.30 p.m. Post-Office closes.

2.30 p.m. Correspondence for Japan or the United States only may be

posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 12 cents

extra Postage until

2.50 p.m. when the Mail is finally closed.

Correspondence must be specially directed for this route, and if not fully prepaid

will be sent by British Packet.

General Post Office, Hongkong, March 8, 1877. mc20

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—

The French Contract Packet ANADYR

will be despatched from Hong-

kong on THURSDAY, the 22nd

inst., with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, via

Malacca, Calcutta, Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Sey-

chelles, Réunion, Mauritius, Suva, and Alexandria. This is the best

opportunity for forwarding Corre-

spondence to E. Africa, the Cape, St. Helena, and Ascension.

Letters may also be forwarded to INDIA by this Packet, but can be paid only

as far as Ceylon. The postage to Ceylon must be prepaid. Such letters

should be marked *Paid to Ceylon only*; they will go on from Ceylon as unpaid.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:—

Wednesday, 21st Inst.—

5 p.m., Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night.

Thursday, 22nd Inst.—

7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Registry of Letters ceases.

11 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late Letters.

11.10 a.m., Letters (but Letters only except those to and through Aus-

tralia, may be posted on pay-

ment of a Late Fee of 15 cents extra postage, until

11.30 a.m., when the Post Office Closes entirely.

Hongkong, March 8, 1877. mc22

Shipping Intelligence.

HOME SHIPPING.

The following is corrected from the latest London Papers:—

DEPARTURES.

Sept. 17, Palestine, from London to Hong-

kong.

Oct. 5, Wega, from Hamburg to Cheloo.

Nov. 12, Lima, from London to Hongkong.

Nov. 13, Rurik, from Cardiff to Hongkong.

Nov. 16, Hydra, from Cardiff to Hongkong.

Nov. 17, Eliza Shaw, from London to Shanghai.

Nov. 21, America, from Cardiff to Hong-

kong.

Nov. 24, Western Chief, from London to Hongkong.

Nov. 25, Madura, from Cardiff to Hong-

kong.

Nov. 28, Hannah Law, from Cardiff to Hong-

kong.

Nov. 28, New Era, from Cardiff to Hong-

kong.

Dec. 4, Benlutha, from Cardiff to Hong-

kong.

Dec. 17, A. E. Vidal, from Hamburg to Hong-

kong.

Dec. 17, Caricks, from London to Hong-

kong.

Dec. 19, Channel Queen, from Cardiff to Hong-

kong.

Dec. 20, Othman, from London to Hong-

kong.

Dec. 22, Sophie, from New York to Hong-

London, Feb. 2, 1877.

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Insurance.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.
HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.
 AGENTS at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang.
 Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Ports.
 NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEE.
 JAS. B. COUGHRIE,
 Secretary.
 Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

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 (FIRE AND LIFE.)
 CAPITAL—Two Millions Sterling.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Coals in Matched, on Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions. Proposals for Life Insurance will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.
 If required, protection will be granted on first class lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.
 For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.
 Agents Hongkong & Canton.
 Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.
 THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurance at current rates.
MELOHERS & Co.,
 Agents, Royal Insurance Company.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY.
 (LIMITED.)
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 POLICIES granted at current rates on Marine Risks to all parts of the World. In accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, Two Thirds of the Profits are distributed annually to Contributors, whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of Premiums contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.
OLYMPHANT & Co.,
 General Agents.
 Hongkong, April 17, 1873.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.
 THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of £50,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current local rates, subject to a Discount of 20% on the Premium.
NORTON & Co.,
 Agents.
 Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.
 Incorporated by Royal Charter and Special Acts of Parliament.
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 CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, AGENTS at Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of £10,000 on any Buildings, or on Merchandise in the same, at the usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20 per cent.
GILMAN & Co.,
 Agents.
 Hongkong, July 4, 1875.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.
 INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER of His Majesty King George The First, A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurance as follows:—
 Marine Department.
 Policies at current rates payable either here, in London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.
 Fire Department.
 Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.
 Life Department.
 Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000 on reasonable terms.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
 Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.
 THE Undersigned Agents and in receipt of Instructions from the Board of Directors authorizing them to issue Policies to the extent of £10,000 on any one first class risk, or to the extent of £15,000 on adjoining risks at current rates.
 A Discount of 20% allowed.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
 Hongkong, January 4, 1873.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.
 THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Keeloh, Shanghai and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurance at current rates.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
 Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

Mails.



STREAM FOR
 Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle, Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi, Ancona, Venice, Mediterranean Ports, Southampton and London;
 Also,
 Bombay, Madras, Calcutta, and Australia.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship **TRAFALGAR**, Captain BARRATT, will leave this on THURSDAY, the 15th March, at Noon.
 For further Particulars, apply to
 A. McIVER, Superintendent.
 Hongkong, March 2, 1877. mof

U. S. MAIL LINE.
PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
 THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer **ALASKA**, will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on TUESDAY, the 20th March, 1877, at 3 p.m., taking Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Passengers Tickets and Bills of Lading are issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to ports in the Central and South America, and to New York and Europe via OVERLAND RAILWAYS.

A Steamer of the Mitten Blinn S. S. Company will leave Shanghai, via the Inland Sea Ports, about same date, and make close connection at Yokohama.

At New York, Passengers have selection of various lines of Steamers to England, France and Germany.
 Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. 19th March. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.
 For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 10, Praya Central.
RUSSELL & Co., Agents.
 Hongkong, February 20, 1877. mof

Occidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.
 TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE, IN CONNECTION WITH THE CENTRAL and UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING RAILROAD COMPANIES AND ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "BELGIO" will be despatched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on MONDAY, the 2nd April, at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States and Europe.
 Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai.
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 Return Passage Tickets available for 6 months are issued at a reduction of 20 per cent. on regular rates.
 For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.
G. B. EMORY, Agent.
 Hongkong, March 3, 1877. ap2

Intimations.
EXPOSITION UNIVERSELLE DE 1878.
 THE CONSUL for FRANCE has the honour to inform those Persons who wish to take part in the intended Exhibition, that they will find at the Consulate all Information and Particulars they may require.
 For the Consul,
G. BOULOUZE, Vice-Consul.
 Hongkong, December 13, 1876.

THE CHINESE MAIL.
 TERMS OF ADVERTISING IN THE Chinese Mail.

TWO cents a character for the first 100 characters; and one cent a character beyond the first 100, for first insertion, and half price for repetitions during the first week. Subsequent weeks' insertions will be charged only one half the amount of the first week's charge. Advertisements for half a year and longer will be allowed a deduction of 25 per cent on the total amount, and contracts for more favourable terms can be made.

Efforts have been made to establish Agents for circulating the Chinese Mail in all the ports and in the interior of China, all the ports in Japan, in Saigon, Singapore, Penang, Calcutta, Batavia, Manila, the Philippines, Australia, San Francisco, Peru and other places which Chinese frequent. When the list of Agencies is completed, it will be published. Agents have been already established in most of the above places, and in important ports more than one agent has been appointed at each.

CHUN AYIN,
 Manager.
 Hongkong, February 23, 1874.

Intimations.

THE HONGKONG CHINESE MAIL.
 THE Circulation of THIS PAPER has been very much extended. The following are some of its Agents:—
 Macao.—Man Chuen Shop.
 Canton.—Sing Chuen Native Post Office, Luen Hing Street; Chui Heung Low Hotel, Luen Hing Street; Kwong Tin Fat Shop, Yan Tai Street; Mr Sit Chuen Fan, Tung Wen Kwan; Yuen Fong Shop, in front of the Provincial Treasurer's Yamen; How Yuen Shop, Small Market Street, New City; Yee Cheung Photograph Shop, Honam; Kwai Heung Shop, Sin Cheong, Honam.

Suicow.—Sui Cheong Hong; Woh Shun Loong Hong.
 Amoy.—Chin Cheong Hong, Mook Kok Street.
 Foochow.—Mr Yu Ching Cheong, Foochow Arsenal; Mr Lum Kwok Ching, Maritime Canton.

Shanghai.—Mr Ng Ching Shun, Maritime Customs; Mr Chui Sing Hoi, Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co.; Mr Kwong Chuen Yick, Educational Mission School; and Mow Sing Sang Kue shop.
 Ningpo.—Mr Sung Min Cheo, Maritime Customs.

Hankow.—Yee Hing Hong.
 Chefoo.—Yee Shun Hong.
 Japan.—Mr Leong Chun Tong, Municipal Office, Yokohama.
 Saigon.—Wohang Hong.

Singapore.—Ting Kee Hong; Kwong Fook Sang Hong.
 Penang.—Yow Wing Fong; Argus Office.
 Calcutta.—Mow Sing Company.
 San Francisco.—Kwong Fong Tai Hong.

The above are some of the Agencies; others will be published, when they are arranged for. Negotiations are in progress with the express carriers who carry the official despatches and Peking Gazette, to circulate the Chinese Mail in the interior of China.
 Hongkong, March 10, 1874.

Now Ready.
THE CHINA REVIEW.
 Vol. V., No. 3.
 Annual Subscription, postage included, \$5.50.
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Essays on the Chinese Language, (Continued from page 83.)
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 Chinese Intercourse with the Countries of Central and Western Asia in the Fifteenth Century, Part I. (Continued from page 182.)
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China Mail Office,
 Hongkong, January 10, 1877.

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 At 1110 Cash per Dollar Mexican.
 Prices Highest. Lowest. Cash.

Butcher Meat.
 Bacon, English, lb. 450 400
 " Amos Sugar cured, 300 250
 " Foochow, 160 140
 Beef, sirloin and prime out, cy. 130 150
 Beef Corned, catty 150 140
 " Roast, 150 140
 " Soup, 90 80
 " Steak, 150 140
 Bullocks' Brains, per set 60 50
 " Tongue, fresh, each 275 250
 " corned, 320 300
 " Head, 600 500
 " Heart, 150 140
 " Feet, 50 40
 " Kidneys, 60 50
 " Tail, 100 90
 " Liver, catty 80 60
 " Tripe (undressed), catty 50 40
 Calves' Head and Feet, set 500 400
 Hams, American, lb. 300 250
 " Chinese, 180 170
 " English, 360 340
 Mutton Chop, 180 170
 " Leg, 180 170
 " Shoulder, 130 120
 " Liver, 180 120
 Pigs' Chittlings, catty 60 50
 " Feet, 100 90
 " Fry, 110 100
 " Head, 90 80
 " Heart, 60 50
 " Kidneys, 80 70
 " Liver, lb. 100 80
 Pork Chop, catty 180 140
 " Corned, 180 120
 " Legs, 150 140
 " Fat or Land, 110 100
 Sheep's Head and Feet, set 340 320
 " Heart, 60 40
 " Kidneys, 80 70
 Sucking Pigs, 1750 1005
 Veal, 140 120

Poultry.
 Capons, catty 200 180
 " Doest, each \$2.00 \$1.50
 Ducks, catty 110 100
 Eggs, Hen, doz. 100 —
 " Duck, 100 —
 " Salt, 120 —
 Fowls, catty 180 160
 Geese, 120 110
 Partridges, each 850 300
 Pheasants, Canton, live, pair \$2.00 —
 " Shanghai, dead, 800 750
 Pigeons, each 180 120
 Quail, 90 80
 Rabbits, 500 —
 Snipe, each 110 100
 Teal, 180 170
 Turkeys, Cook, catty 600 —
 " Hen, 400 —
 Wild Duck, each 350 300

Fish.
 Bombay Ducks, new per hundred 350 300
 Bream, catty 100 90
 Carp, 80 70
 Codfish, Salt, lb. 150 —
 Crabs, catty 200 120
 Cattle Fish, 80 70
 Dace, 100 90
 Eels, Congor, 50 40
 File Fish, 70 60
 Fresh Fish, Large 130 120
 " Small 90 80
 Frogs, 160 140
 Garoupa, 140 120
 Herrings, 70 60
 " smoked, box \$1.00 —
 Live Fish, catty 140 120
 Lobsters, 80 70
 Mackerel, 60 50
 Mango Fish, 150 —
 Mullet, 70 60
 Oysters, 140 130
 Parrot Fish, 130 120
 Perch, 80 70
 Pomfret, 110 100
 Prawns, 120 110
 Ray, 100 90
 Roach, 180 —
 Rock Fish, 130 120
 Salmon, Canton, 120 100
 Salt Fish, 120 100
 Shark, young 70 60
 Shrimps, 70 60
 Skate, 80 70
 Snappers, 120 110
 Snipe Fish, 80 —
 Soles, Fresh 100 80
 Tench, 80 70
 Turtle, Small 230 200

Vegetables.
 Asparagus, lb. 450 400
 Bamboo Shoots, catty 100 80
 Beans, sprout, 50 40
 " Broad, 60 50
 " French from Macao, 70 60
 Beet Root, each 12 10
 Brussels, catty 12 10
 Cabbage, White Canton, 15 12
 " Common, 10 8
 " Hongkong, each 70 30
 " Macao, 70 30
 " Turnip, Bohl each 10 8
 " red for pickling, 60 50
 Carrots, Salt, catty 20 —
 Cress, Fresh, 25 20

Grains.
 Cauliflower, each 80 80
 Celery, Chinese, catty 20 —
 Celery, English, catty 40 30
 Cucumbers, 70 —
 Chillies, Dried, 100 —
 " Mixed, 80 70
 Curry Stuff, English, 40 30
 Egg Plant, 60 40
 Garlic (bulb) dried, 40 30
 Ginger, 30 20
 Greens, White, 10 —
 " Winter course, 20 15
 Green, Sprouts, 15 10
 Green Peas, in shell, old, 60 50
 " young, 40 30
 " Horse Radish, 'Shal', 300 —
 Lettuce, Chinese, 20 —
 " English, head 10 —
 Mint, bunch 15 10
 Mushroom, dried, catty 750 600
 Onions, Bombay, 160 150
 " Green, 20 —
 Parsley, Chinese, 50 —
 " English, bunch 10 5
 Potatoes, Macao, catty 20 15
 " Sweet, 12 10
 Pumpkins, 20 15
 Radishes, doz. 30 20
 Scallions, catty 25 20
 Shallots, 35 30
 Sesamum, 120 100
 Squash, bottle, 30 —
 Taro (U Tau), 20 —
 Tomatoes, 60 40
 Turnips, Salt, 20 18
 " English, each 15 10
 " Chinese, catty 15 10